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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Mayfield *et al.*)
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Serial No.: 10/669,555) Group Art Unit: 3671
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Filed: September 25, 2003) Examiner: Gary Hartmann
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For: Automatic Ground Marking Method and Apparatus

FIRST RESPONSE WITH AMENDMENTS

Commissioner for Patents
Box Amendments
Washington, D.C. 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding non-final Office Action of September 1, 2004, Applicants submit the following response with claim amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that any additional extensions of time are required. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 024300.

AMENDMENT

In response to the outstanding non-final Office as follows:


Amendment to the Specification (Abstract) begins on page 2.

Amendments to claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 6.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop: Non-Fee Amendments, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22312-1450,

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